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11. (U) Per reftels, Emboff delivered demarche on humanitarian assistance offers for Haiti to Government of Jamaica (GOJ) Minister of Information Daryl Vaz on the morning of January 19. Vaz reported that the Secretary had met briefly with Prime Minister Bruce Golding and Foreign Minister Kenneth Baugh during her stopover in Kingston en route to Port-au-Prince on January 16, and that Jamaica's relief efforts toward Haiti had been the primary topic of discussion.

- 12. (U) Vaz noted that the GOJ had requested JMD 12 million (USD 134,228.19) in USG assistance to fund the Jamaica Defence Force (JDF)'s rescue and recovery operations in Haiti, but had yet to receive a response. The GOJ will likely also require financial assistance to house and care for Haitian refugees if, as appears likely, any arrive in Jamaica.
- $\P 3$. (U) Post will convey any additional GOJ offers of assistance to recovery efforts in Haiti. Moss